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Rick Meredith is the assistant commissioner of the Community Development Division for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (ECD). He oversees community and local Planning, program management, the Main Street Program, the Governor's Three-Star Program and state energy policy. He manages staff in ECD's central office in Nashville and regional offices located across the state.

Before his present position, Meredith was the ECD director of community development, where he oversaw the Governor's Three-Star Program and served as a liaison to the Tennessee Military Affairs Commission.

Prior to joining the Bredesen Administration, Meredith served as the register of deeds for Anderson County. He managed all public recording of instruments and an annual budget of approximately \$250,000. During his tenure, he started electronic imaging of recorded documents in Anderson County and was the first to establish Internet access for recorded land records in the United States. In addition to these accomplishments, Meredith was chosen as "Tennessee's Register of the Year" in 1996.

Meredith formerly served as president of the County Officials Association of Tennessee, Tennessee Registers Association and the East Tennessee Registers Association. He has also previously served on the board of directors for the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce. Meredith attended the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service and is a certified public administrator.